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11. 2ND INTERNATIONAL ROCKET SYMPOSIUM.

POLITICAL

1. DIET (WEEK 2 ITEM 1)

IN FACE OF CONTINUED BOYCOTTS BY BOTH SOCIALIST PARTIES, WHICH REFUSE TO ACKNOWLEDGE VALIDITY OF DIET EXTENSION, LIBERAL DEMOCRATS (LDP) HELD PLENARY SESSIONS IN LOWER HOUSE MAY 27 AND UPPER HOUSE JUNE 1 TO HEAR GOJ REPORTS ON TITAN WAVE DAMAGE. NO ATTEMPT MADE DURING WEEK TO CONDUCT FURTHER BUSINESS, INCLUDING ACTION ON 65 BILLS STILL BEFORE DIET. DOSHIKAI (CONSERVATIVE INDEPENDENTS) ON MAY 31 OFFERED MEDIATION PLAN WHEREBY BOTH HOUSES WOULD VOTE 10-DAY RECESS TO SERVE AS COOLING-OFF PERIOD DURING WHICH PARTIES COULD ADJUST THEIR DIFFERENCES. NEITHER LDP NOR SOCIALISTS HAVE EXPRESSED ANY ENTHUSIASM FOR THIS PROPOSAL.

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COMMENT: DIET IMPASSE WILL NOT EASILY BE RESOLVED. LDP IS ON SOLID LEGAL GROUND, BUT IS RELUCTANT TO MAKE MAJOR LEGISLATIVE DECISIONS IN ABSENCE OF OPPOSITION; JSP IS SO HEAVILY COMMITTED TO BOYCOTT THAT IT IS DIFFICULT TO RETREAT. AS DIET BOYCOTT IS PROLONGED, PUBLIC CENSURE OF SOCIALIST PARTIES FOR OBSTRUCTING

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PENDING LEGISLATION MAY PROVIDE LEVERAGE FOR DSP MEDIATION.
BEFORE SESSION ENDS JULY 15, LDR WILL PROBABLY ACT ON AT LEAST
PART OF LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR WITH OR WITHOUT ATTENDANCE OF
SOCIALISTS. (CONFIDENTIAL)

2. LDP (WEEK 21, ITEM 2)

OVER PAST WEEK, PRIMIN KISHI HAS MADE SEVERAL DIRECT
APPEALS FOR PUBLIC'S SUPPORT OF HIS STAND THAT IMMEDIATE DIET
DISSOLUTION OR HIS OWN RESIGNATION ARE OUT OF QUESTION UNTIL
NEW TREATY APPROVED AND RATIFIED. IN ATTEMPT IMPROVE LDP UNITY
AND BRING ABOUT EARLY APPROVAL OF TREATY IN UPPER HOUSE, KISHI
APPEARED IN SERIES OF RADIO-TV BROADCASTS, INCLUDING DISCUSSIONS
WITH JSP'S X ASANUMA AND DSP'S NISHID, AND HELD FIRST PRESS
CONFERENCE (TELEVISED) SINCE LOWER HOUSE APPROVAL OF TREATY MAY
20. IN ALL THESE APPEARANCES, KISHI DEFENDED HIS POSITION WITH
VIGOR AND CONVICTION.

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PRIMIN ALSO HAD SUCCESSION OF PRIVATE MEETINGS AND TWO LARGE SESSIONS WITH LDP POLITICIANS WHICH BROUGHT EXPRESSIONS OF STRONG SUPPORT FROM LDP MAINSTREAM FOR HIS POSITION ON TREATY ISSUE AND HIS STAND THAT THERE SHOULD BE NO CABINET RESIGNATION OR DIET DISSOLUTION AT THIS TIME.

ANTI-MAINSTREAM FACTIONS HAVE MEANWHILE CONTINUED EFFORTS TO UTILIZE CURRENT POLITICAL SITUATION TO FORCE KISHI OUT OF OFFICE. ON KONO'S INITIATIVE, PRINCIPAL FACTION LEADERS (EXCEPT KISHI) MET MAY 27 FOR DISCUSSION DIET DEADLOCK AND INTRA-PARTY SITUATION. ATMOSPHERE TENSE, WITH SEVERAL VERBAL CLASHES. ISHIBASHI LED ANTI-MAINSTREAM IN DEMAND THAT KISHI RESIGN. FINMIN SATO STRONGLY DEFENDED PRIMIN. MOST IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT HAS BEEN IKEDA DECISION ANNOUNCED JUNE 2 TO SWING HIS INFLUENTIAL GROUP BEHIND PRIMIN ON TREATY ISSUE. (CONFIDENTIAL)

COMMENT: FOLLOWING GOVERNMENT'S DEFENSIVE AND INDECISIVE POSTURE IN DAYS JUST AFTER DIET VIOLENCE AND MIDNIGHT VOTE ON TREATY, KISHI'S PUBLIC APPEARANCES GAVE WELCOME IMPRESSION OF RECOVERY OF SOME MEASURE OF CONFIDENCE AND SKILL. WHILE TOO EARLY TO PREDICT OUTCOME OF PRIMIN'S EFFORTS TO ENLIST PUBLIC AND LDP SUPPORT BEHIND HIM, NEXT FEW DAYS MAY BRING SOME RESOLUTION OF

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POLITICAL IMPASSE WHICH HAS PREVAILED SINCE LOWER HOUSE APPROVED TREATY. SUCCESS OR FAILURE OF JUNE 4 STRIKES AND DEMONSTRATIONS (ITEM 4) WILL BE KEY ELEMENT IN DETERMINING HOW SITUATION WILL DEVELOP. (CONFIDENTIAL)

3. SOCIALISTS PROPOSE MASS RESIGNATION

SOCIALIST PARTY (JSP) DIET MEMBERS CAUCUS JUNE 1 AND SUBSEQUENT CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING APPROVED PROPOSAL THAT JSP LOWER HOUSE MEMBERS SUBMIT RESIGNATIONS EN MASSE IN ATTEMPT TO FORCE KISHI TO DISSOLVE DIET AND CALL GENERAL ELECTION. DECISION HAS BEEN REFERRED TO EXTRAORDINARY CONVENTION JUNE 6 FOR ENDORSEMENT. DSP OFFICIALS INDICATE THEIR PARTY WILL NOT JOIN WITH JSP IN THIS GAMBIT AND EDITORIALS IN MOST MAJOR PAPERS CRITICIZE PROPOSAL AS "DETRIMENTAL TO PARLIAMENTARISM". SPEAKER KIIYOSE SAID HE WOULD URGE SOCIALISTS TO RECONSIDER RESIGNATIONS, BUT, IF THEY PERSISTED, WOULD ASK PLAN OF SESSION TO ACCEPT THEM. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: JSP MASS RESIGNATION PLAN MAY WELL BACKFIRE.

THERE IS NO REASON TO BELIEVE LDP WOULD CALL GENERAL ELECTION, AND SOCIALISTS WOULD RISK LOSS OF NUMBER OF SEATS IN SERIES OF BY-ELECTIONS THAT MIGHT BE HELD INSTEAD. MOREOVER, ELECTION LAW

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REQUIRES BY-ELECTION ONLY WHEN TWO OR MORE SEATS ARE VACATED IN SINGLE CONSTITUENCY SO THAT AT MOST 69 SEATS (11 OF 12 EXISTING VACANCIES AND 58 OF 125 SOCIALIST SEATS) WOULD BE CONTESTED. IN LIGHT OF PUBLIC CRITICISM, THERE IS STILL STRONG CHANCE THAT SOCIALISTS WILL NOT GO THROUGH WITH GESTURE. PROPOSAL WAS PROBABLY DESIGNED IN LARGE PART AS "PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE" TO ACCOMPANY JUNE 4 AND FOLLOWING DEMONSTRATIONS. SO LONG AS RESIGNATION HAVE GONE NO FURTHER THAN PARTY CHAIRMAN AND STILL AWAIT ENDORSEMENT OF EXTRAORDINARY CONVENTION, PARTY STILL HAS A STRING ON THEM. (CONFIDENTIAL)

4. ANTI-GOVERNMENT DEMONSTRATIONS (WEEKA 21, ITEM 3)

SOHYO, JSB, AND OTHER LEFT-WING GROUPS HAVE PLANNED FOR MAJOR JUNE 4 DEMONSTRATIONS AND STRIKES COMBINING ANTI-SECURITY TREATY CAMPAIGN WITH DEMANDS FOR KISHI'S RESIGNATION AND DIET DISSOLUTION. SOHYO'S EXAGGERATED BOAST IS THAT FOUR MILLION UNIONISTS WILL PARTICIPATE IN STRIKES AND RALLIES, BUT MUCH OF THIS ACTIVITY TO BE IN NATURE OF ONE TO TWO-HOUR WORK STOPPAGES. NATIONAL RAILWAY TRAFFIC AND MANY URBAN COMMUTER SERVICES, HOWEVER, MAY BE THROWN INTO CONFUSION FOR AT LEAST PART OF DAY BY EARLY MORNING STRIKES. ZENGAKUREN

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IN "WARMUP" DEMONSTRATION JUNE 3 PLANS TO TURN OUT SEVERAL THOUSAND STUDENTS (POSSIBLY 15,000 TO 20,000, POLICE) FOR RALLIES AT DIET AND PRIMIN'S RESIDENCE.

WITH MOUNTING PUBLIC CRITICISM OF DEMONSTRATIONS, GOJ HAS SERVED NOTICE THAT DISCIPLINARY MEASURES WILL BE TAKEN AGAINST GOVERNMENT WORKERS WHO PARTICIPATE IN ILLEGAL STRIKES. SEVERAL COMMENTATORS WARN AGAINST UNSEEMLY BEHAVIOR DURING PRESIDENT'S VISIT AND YOMIURI EDITORIAL CALLED SOHYO'S PLANNED WALKOUT A POLITICAL STRIKE BEYOND SCOPE OF LAW. CAS REPORTS THAT ZENRO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE JUNE 2 APPROVED ISSUANCE OF PUBLIC STATEMENT URGING SOHYO TO CALL OFF STRIKE AND THAT DSP WILL ALSO ISSUE STATEMENT CRITICIZING PLANS FOR JUNE 4 DEMONSTRATIONS. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: WELL-ORCHESTRATED LEFT-WING ACTIVITY IS INTENDED TO CREATE IMPRESSION OF MASSIVE PUBLIC OPPOSITION TO GOVERNMENT, TREATY AND PRESIDENT'S VISIT, BUT BEARS EVERY EARMARK OF HIGHLY ARTIFICIAL ORGANIZATIONAL EFFORT. AS LEFT WING PERSISTS IN ITS PRESENT TACTICS, MANY OF THOSE WHO CRITICIZED MANNER IN WHICH LDP PASSED TREATY HAVE COME TO FEEL THAT SOCIALISTS SHARE INCREASING PORTION OF BLAME FOR CURRENT POLITICAL CRISIS. EVEN ASAHI, WHICH HAS BEEN ONE OF MAIN LEADERS IN ANTI-GOVERNMENT CAMPAIGN, OBLIGED TO

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ANNOUNCE THAT ITS PUBLIC OPINION POLL "DIVIDES BLAME FOR DIET
CRISIS". (CONFIDENTIAL)

5. NIKKYOSO CONVENTION (WEEK 19, ITEM 7)

AT NATIONAL CONVENTION MAY 29-JUNE 1, NIKKYOSO (JAPAN TEACHERS
UNION) ELECTED OFFICERS, PASSED NEW ACTION POLICY, AND DECIDED ON
AGGRESSIVE PARTICIPATION IN SOHYO-LED ANTI-SECURITY TREATY CAMPAIGN.
CHAIRMAN SADAMITSU MIYANOHARA'S MAINSTREAM FACTION OVERCAME MORE RADICAL
ELEMENTS TO SWEEP TOP POSTS, ESTABLISH CLEAR MAJORITY CONTROL IN
CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, AND CARRY ITS POSITION IN MAJOR PLANKS
OF NEW ACTION POLICY. THESE PROVIDE FOR PRIMARY SUPPORT FOR
JSP (SUPPORT FOR JCP VOTED DOWN), EMPHASIS ON NEGOTIATIONS WITH
EDUCATION MINISTRY AS APPROACH TO SOLUTION OF TEACHER RATING, TEXT-
BOOK, AND OTHER PROBLEMS, AND INCREASED CONTRIBUTIONS FOR "DISCIPLINED
MEMBERS", I.E., THOSE DISCHARGED BECAUSE OF PARTICIPATION
IN ILLEGAL UNION ACTIVITIES. IN CONTEXT OF CURRENT LEFTIST DRIVE
AGAINST SECURITY TREATY, NIKKYOSO DECIDED TO OPPOSE VISIT OF
PRESIDENT, TRANSMIT PROTEST AGAINST VISIT TO EMBASSY, AND CALL PART
OF TEACHERS OUT OF CLASSROOMS TO PARTICIPATE IN OHYO'S "UNITED
ACTION" JUNE 4 (ITEM 4). (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: ALTHOUGH MANY OBSERVERS DEPICT MAINSTREAM VICTORY AS
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TREND TOWARD MODERATION, NIKKYOSO'S BASIC ORIENTATION AND WILLINGNESS TO RESORT TO STRIKES HAVE NOT CHANGED SIGNIFICANTLY FROM PREVIOUS YEARS. UNION APPEARED TO SHIFT TO MORE MODERATE APPROACH ONLY ON TEACHERS RATING ISSUE, WHERE IT HAD NO CHOICE, AND IN ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF LESS RADICAL FACTION TO UNION OFFICES AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

6. JAPAN-KOREA (WEEKA 20, ITEM 5)

KOREAN MISSION OFFICIALLY INFORMED FONOFF THAT ALL BUT 2 OF 13 CREW MEMBERS OF MOST RECENT (FEB 12) FISHING BOATS SEIZED BY ROK WILL BE REPATRIATED TO JAPAN AS SOON AS TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE; ONLY 6 FISHERMEN WILL THEN REMAIN IN KOREA. IN REMAINING PROBLEM CURRENTLY SUBJECT OF NEGOTIATION, JAPAN-ROK NEGOTIATORS HAVE REACHED TENTATIVE AGREEMENT ON CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR JAPANESE IMPORT OF 30,000 TONS KOREAN RICE. FURTHER TALKS WILL BE REQUIRED, SINCE ROK NOT YET SATISFIED WITH ARRANGEMENTS. FONOFF PLEASED BY ROK ACTION RE FISHERMEN THOUGH ANNOYED BY ALMOST SIMULTANEOUS PUBLIC STATEMENT BY ROK CHIEF MINISTER HUH CHUNG ASSERTING JAPANESE USED DUPLICITY IN RICE NEGOTIATIONS AND LENDING RICE QUESTION TO PAYMENT OF "COMPENSATION" TO KOREA RESIDENTS DESIRING RETURN TO ROK. FONOFF COMMENTED TO EMBASSY THAT

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GOJ HAS HONORED PROMISE TO PURCHASE RICE EVEN THOUGH COMMITMENT WAS RANSOM EXTORTED BY RHEE REGIME FOR RETURN OF HOSTAGE FISHERMEN AND IN NO WAY CONNECTED WITH GOJ'S CONFIDENTIAL OFFER TO CONTRIBUTE TO ROK RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM AFTER NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS.

THROUGHOUT WEEK JAPANESE PAID CLOSE ATTENTION TO ROK INTERNAL DEVELOPMENTS, ESPECIALLY AFTERMATH OF RHEE'S SUDDEN DEPARTURE AND PROGRESSIVE ^{UP} ~~PA~~GE OF SENIOR ARMY OFFICERS. (CONFIDENTIAL)

COMMENT: ALTHOUGH JAPANESE OFFICIALS HESITATE TO ASSESS EFFECT OF RECENT ROK DOMESTIC EVENTS ON HUH CHUNG'S PROSPECTS, THEY INTERPRET THESE AS SIGNS THAT HUH CHUNG'S CARETAK^ER GOVERNMENT WILL NOT BE ABLE TO CONDUCT MAJOR NEGOTIATIONS WITH JAPAN. ROK ACTION ON FISHERMEN IS HELPFUL DEVELOPMENT BUT BENEFICIAL EFFECTS WILL BE BLURRED BY HUH CHUNG'S UNFORTUNATE PUBLIC STATEMENT. (CONFIDENTIAL)

7. INDONESIAN PRESIDENT'S VISIT

INDONESIAN PRESIDENT SUKARNO DEPARTS JUNE 3 AFTER NINE-DAY UNOFFICIAL VISIT TO JAPAN. ALTHOUGH HE MET WITH PRIMIN KISHI AND FONMIN FUJIYAMA, SUKARNO OCCUPIED HIMSELF ALMOST ENTIRELY WITH CEREMONIAL FUNCTIONS AND RECREATION WHILE MEMBERS OF SUITE CONDUCTED ROUTINE DISCUSSION OF JAPAN-INDONESIA ECONOMIC PROBLEM WITH JAPANESE

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COMMENT: GOJ DID NOT EXPECT TO CONDUCT IMPORTANT TALKS WITH SUKARNO BUT WAS SURPRISED THAT HE AVOIDED ALMOST ANY SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION. IN CONTRAST TO SUKARNO'S PREVIOUS VISITS TO JAPAN, PRESENT TRIP PASSED WITH VERY LITTLE PUBLIC NOTICE. (CONFIDENTIAL) PSYCHOLOGICAL

8. PRESIDENT'S VISIT (WEEK 15, ITEM 1)

PRESIDENTIAL VISIT RECEIVED CONTINUOUS FRONT-PAGE PRESS PLAY DURING PAST WEEK. PRESS INITIALLY DEVOTED MUCH SPACE TO SPECULATION WHETHER VISIT WOULD BE EFFECTED BY DEMONSTRATIONS AND DOMESTIC POLITICAL SITUATION IN JAPAN. BY END OF WEEK POLITICAL OBSERVERS HAD TURNED AWAY FROM QUESTION OF TIMING AND URGED THAT PEOPLE UPHOLD HONOR OF JAPAN AND GIVE PRESIDENT HEARTY WELCOME. ALTHOUGH ASAHI EDITORIAL REQUESTED PRESIDENT TO POSTPONE VISIT ON GROUNDS THAT IT WOULD BE LINKED WITH DOMESTIC POLITICS, TOKYO SHIMBUN COMMENTED THAT ALL CITIZENS ARE DUTY-BOUND TO WELCOME PRESIDENT DESPITE RESERVATIONS ARISING FROM "DIET CONFUSION". IN SAME VEIN, LEADING NHK COMMENTATORS SAID HE UNABLE TO BELIEVE JAPANESE PEOPLE COULD BE "SO CHILDISH" AS TO MAR PRESIDENTIAL VISIT ON OCCASION OF CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

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COMMENT: CERTAIN ELEMENTS OF PRESS HAVE GONE ALONG WITH SOCIALISTS IN TRYING TO RAISE DOUBTS ABOUT PRESIDENTIAL VISIT AS PART OF THEIR GENERAL CAMPAIGN, TO UNSEAT KISHI. NO EVIDENCE TO SUGGEST THAT THIS CONCERTED CAMPAIGN HAS EFFECTED PEOPLE'S GENUINE DESIRE TO WELCOME PRESIDENT, AND WARNING VOICES INCREASINGLY HEARD AGAINST ANY UNSEEMLINESS IN CONNECTION WITH VISIT . (CONFIDENTIAL)

9. SOVIET WARNINGS TO JAPAN

SUCCESSIVE SOVIET WARNINGS OF RETALIATION AGAINST JAPAN SHOULD JAPAN-BASED PLANES INTRUDE OVER USSR'S AIRSPACE HAVE BEEN FULLY REPORTED BY PRESS, WHICH HIGHLIGHTED KHRUSHCHEV'S REPORT ON SUMMIT FAILURE, MALINOVSKY'S SPEECH, AND THREATENING BROADCAST BY RADIO MOSCOW JUNE 1. NERVOUSNESS ABOUT SOVIET ATTITUDES REFLECTED IN SEVERAL EDITORIALS URGING GOJ TO REQUEST WITHDRAWAL OF AWS.

SOCIALIST PARTY JUNE 1 ASKED STATEMENT, WHICH EXPLICITLY REFERRED TO MALINOVSKY'S WARNING, CLAIMED THAT PRESENCE OF U-2S PLACED JAPAN IN POTENTIAL DANGER OF NUCLEAR DESTRUCTION, AND DEMANDED WITHDRAWAL OF PLANES (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: SOCIALIST AND LEFT-WING CONTINUES TO HARP ON U-2 ISSUE, PLAYING ON PUBLIC'S FEAR OF ANYTHING WHICH SUGGESTS

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10. TURKISH COUP

TURKISH COUP AND ITS AFTERMATH^H WIDELY COVERED IN ALL MAJOR PAPERS AND WAS SUBJECT OF CONSIDERABLE COMMENT. SOME OBSERVERS DREW PARALLEL WITH ROK AND TO LESSER EXTENT STRETCHED THEIR IMAGINATION TO COMPARE PRE-COUP SITUATION IN TURKEY WITH THAT OF JAPAN. MAJORITY OF COMMENTATORS POINTED OUT THAT SITUATION NOT REALLY ANALOGOUS AND TOOK OCCASION TO WARN JAPANESE STUDENT DEMONSTRATORS TO SEEK GOALS THROUGH AVAILABLE DEMOCRATIC METHODS. PRESS ALSO NOTED APPROVINGLY THAT TURKEY WILL CONTINUE TO STAND BY ITS INTERNATIONAL COMMITMENTS. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: ALTHOUGH SOME POLITICAL ANALYSTS WERE TEMPTED BY LEFTIST LEANINGS TO DRAW "LESSONS" FOR JAPAN FROM TURKISH COUP, MOST WERE SUFFICIENTLY ASTUTE TO REALIZE THAT PARALLELS WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO SUBSTANTIATE. (CONFIDENTIAL)

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11. 2ND INTERNATIONAL ROCK^ET SYMPOSIUM

SECOND INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON ROCKETS AND ASTRONAUTICS WAS HELD MAY 24-28 IN TOKYO. SCIENTISTS WERE PRESENT FROM THREE
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COUNTRIES: JAPAN (ABOUT 75), US (ABOUT 15), REPUBLIC OF CHINA (1), BUT PAPERS WERE PRESENTED ON BEHALF ABSENT SCIENTISTS FROM FRANCE, YUGOSLAVIA, PORTUGAL, AND INDIA. NO PARTICIPATION BY SOVIET SCIENTISTS EITHER IN PERSON OR BY PAPERS. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: JAPANESE EXPRESSED

SATISFACTION WITH HIGH CALIBER OF US REPRESENTATION, BUT WERE DISAPPOINTED AT FAILURE OF SOVIETS TO PARTICIPATE, INVIEW OF PREVIOUS PROMISE TO ATTEND. US SCIENTISTS WERE IMPRESSED WITH JAPANESE ROCKET AND RELATED EXPERIMENTS AND ESTABLISHED BASIS FOR FUTURE INFORMAL TECHNICAL EXCHANGE. REVIEW OF JAPANESE ROCKET PROGRESS INDICATES THAT AT PRESENT RATE OF DEVELOPMENT JAPAN APPEARS TO BE AT LEAST FOUR TO FIVE YEARS FROM POSSESSING SATELLITE LAUNCHING CAPABILITY. (CONFIDENTIAL)

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WHITE HOUSE STATEMENT REAFFIRMING PRESIDENT'S PLAN TO VISIT JAPAN, REPORTED IN ALL MAJOR NEWSPAPERS JUNE 8, EFFECTIVELY PUT AN END TO RASH OF SPECULATIVE STORIES AND COMMENTARIES SUGGESTING THAT PRESIDENT MIGHT POSTPONE VISIT. ALTHOUGH SOME ELEMENTS OF PRESS STILL EXPRESS RESERVE OVER TIMING OF VISIT, LEADING COMMENTATORS AND NEWSPAPERS INCREASINGLY DIFFERENTIATE BETWEEN DOMESTIC POLITICAL SITUATION AND PRESIDENTIAL VISIT. EDITORIALS AND COLUMNS HAVE SHARPLY CRITICIZED SOCIALIST (JSP) OPPOSITION TO VISIT, WARNED AGAINST JSP ATTEMPT TO TURN ANTI-KISHI SENTIMENT INTO ANTI-AMERICAN CAMPAIGN, AND URGED WARM WELCOME FOR PRESIDENT IN CONNECTION WITH CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS. YOMIURI TERMED "UNREASONABLE AND OUTRAGEOUS" JSP CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS THAT VISIT CONSTITUTED "INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS".

ALL MAJOR NEWSPAPERS HIGHLIGHTED JUNE 10 TOKYO ARRIVAL OF PRESIDENTIAL PRESS SECRETARY HAGERTY FOR CONSULTATIONS ON FINAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR VISIT. WHILE JSP AND OTHER OPPOSITION GROUPS ARE MAKING LAST DITCH EFFORT TO IMPRESS HAGERTY WITH DESIRABILITY OF CALLING OFF VISIT, PLANS TO GREET PRESIDENT PROGRESSING ON OTHER FRONTS. LDP HAS SELECTED VICE PRESIDENT OHNO TO HEAD

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SPECIAL LDP COMMITTEE FOR WELCOME, AND ANNOUNCED THAT IT WILL COOPERATE WITH MEMBERS OF GROUPS (ESTIMATED UP TO 500,000) IN OUTLYING AREAS WHO AGREE TO COME TO TOKYO TO GREET PRESIDENT. TWO MAJOR ECONOMIC ORGANIZATIONS HAVE FORMALLY GONE ON RECORD WITH APPEALS FOR ALL-OUT WELCOME. EMBASSY HAS BEEN APPROACHED BY NUMEROUS ORGANIZATIONS DESIRING TO ASSIST IN ENSURING SUCCESS OF VISIT AS SYMBOL OF US-JAPAN FRIENDSHIP. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENTS: AS TIME FOR PRESIDENTIAL VISIT GROWS NEAR, RESPONSIBLE LEADERS IN ALL WALKS OF LIFE HAVE BECOME INCREASINGLY AWARE OF DANGERS OF CONTINUED TOLERATION OF VOCAL MINORITY THAT HAS OPPOSED VISIT WITH PURPOSE OF WEAKENING JAPAN'S FREE WORLD ALLIANCE, BY CONFUSING DOMESTIC POLITICS WITH STATE VISIT OF DISTINGUISHED WORLD LEADER. PRESS HAS BEGUN TO POINT OUT DAMAGE TO JAPAN'S REPUTATION IF EXCESSES NAR PRESIDENT'S VISIT, AND THERE ARE MANY SIGNS OF PUBLIC RESPONSE. IT IS LIKELY THAT EXTREME LEFTISTS WILL INCUR GENERALLY HOSTILE PUBLIC REACTION IF THEY DO NOT SHOW SELF-RESTRAINT. (CONFIDENTIAL)

2. ANTI-GOVERNMENT STRIKES AND DEMONSTRATIONS (WEEK 22, ITEM 4)

POLICE ESTIMATED 735,800 TOOK PART IN WORK STOPPAGE THROUGHOUT COUNTRY JUNE 4 IN ANTI-KISHI ANTI-SECURITY TREATY CAM-

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PAIGN (SOHYO CLAIMED 5,600,000). PRINCIPAL EVENT, NATION-WIDE RAILWAY STRIKE FROM 4-7 AM, CAUSED CONSIDERABLE INCONVENIENCE TO COMMUTERS BUT CONGESTION WAS REDUCED TO MINIMUM. ONCE PUBLIC HAD SUFFICIENT NOTICE TO ALLOW FOR DELAYS. THERE WERE SPORADIC INSTANCES OF MINOR VIOLENCE. AFTER STRIKE ABOUT 40,000 (MOSTLY NUMBERS OF SAME LEFT-WING GROUPS THAT HAVE PARTICIPATED IN RECENT ANTI-TREATY DEMONSTRATIONS) DEMONSTRATED IN FRONT OF DIET AND MARCHED PAST EMBASSY IN ORDERLY FASHION.

IN FAR LESS ORDERLY ACTION JUNE 3, ABOUT 4,000 MAINSTREAM ZENGAKUREN STUDENTS PULLED DOWN IRON GATE OF PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICIAL RESIDENCE AND DRAGGED 4-5 POLICE TRUCKS OUT OF RESIDENCE COMPOUND INTO THE STREETS WHERE THEY WRECKED ENGINES. NINETY-THREE POLICE AND OVER 12 STUDENTS INJURED BEFORE ORDER RESTORED. EDITORIALS AND COMMENTATORS REPEATED VIEW (REF WEEKA) THAT STRIKES ARE NOT PURELY A FORM OF POLITICAL EXPRESSION, BUT AVOIDED HARSH DENUNCIATION AND TENDED TOWARD CONCLUSION THAT ABSENCE OF PUBLIC PROTESTS INDICATED SUPPORT FOR STRIKERS. DEMAND THAT KISHI RESIGN.

PEOPLE'S COUNCIL TO OPPOSE REVISION OF SECURITY TREATY PLANS FURTHER MASSIVE DEMONSTRATIONS JUNE 10 AND 11 DURING VISIT OF PRESIDENTIAL PRESS SECRETARY HAGERTY, AND SOHYO HAS ANNOUNCED PLANS

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FOR ADDITIONAL STRIKES JUNE 15 ON LARGER SCALE THAN JUNE 4
WORK STOPPAGES. JSP DIET MEMBERS CAUCUS JUNE 7 DECIDED "DEFEND
DEMOCRACY" RATHER THAN "OPPOSE SECURITY TREATY" SHOULD BE PRINCIPAL
SLOGAN OF COMING DEMONSTRATIONS, WITH OBJECTIVE OF BRINGING ABOUT
KISHI'S RESIGNATION. SOCIALISTS HAVE ANNOUNCED THAT PREVENTION
OF PRESIDENT'S VISIT IS CRUCIAL FOR SUCCESS OF THIS CAMPAIGN, AND
WILL THEREFORE ASK "PEOPLE'S MOVEMENTS" TO EMPHASIZE OPPOSITION TO
VISIT. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT ALTHOUGH JUNE 4 STRIKE WAS NO SMASHING VICTORY FOR
LEFT WING, IN CERTAIN RESPECTS, JSP AND SOHYO CAME OUT AHEAD BECAUSE
THEY PULLED OFF AN ILLEGAL STRIKE WITHOUT STRONG PUBLIC REACTION
AND HAVE THEREFORE BEEN ENCOURAGED TO REPEAT EFFORT ON BROADER SCALE.
SOCIALISTS ARE AWARE THEY HAVE VERY LIMITED TIME UNTIL ANTI-TREATY
CAMPAIGN WILL HAVE LOST RAISON D'ETRE, AND ARE FACED WITH PROSPECT
THAT TWO WEEKS HENCE KISHI WILL STILL BE IN OFFICE, THE
TREATY RATIFIED, AND PRESIDENT COME AND GONE WITH EVERY MARK OF VISIT'S
SUCCESS. (CONFIDENTIAL)

3. SOCIALIST CONVENTION (WEEK 22, ITEM 3)

SOCIALIST PARTY (JSP) EXTRAORDINARY CONVENTION JUNE 6

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED PROPOSAL THAT PARTY'S LOWER HOUSE MEMBERS

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RESIGN SEATS EN MASSE IN ORDER TO BRING PRESSURE ON KISHI TO STEP DOWN AND DISSOLVE DIET. CONVENTION LEFT TIMING OF SUBMISSION OF RESIGNATIONS UP TO CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. ALTHOUGH ASANUMA SAID HE WOULD SUBMIT RESIGNATIONS WITHIN A WEEK OX MANY DIET MEMBERS HAVE HAD SECOND THOUGHTS AND THERE ARE INCREASING SIGNS THAT PARTY MAY SEEK EXCUSE NOT TO FOLLOW THROUGH. MASS-RESIGNATION DECISION WIDELY ATTACKED BY ALL MAJOR PAPERS AND COMMENTATORS ON GROUNDS IT RUNS CONTER TO PRINCIPLES OF PARLIAMENTARISM. DEMOCRATIC SOCIALISTS REFUSED TO GO ALONG AND EVEN JCP CENTRAL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN SANZO NOSKA PLICLY OPPOSED SCHEME. LDP SPOKESMEN HAVE INDICATED THAT THEY WILL NOT RUSH TO ACCEPT RESIGNATIONS, IF SUBMITTED, AND IN ANY CASE HAVE NO INTENTION OF DISSOLVING DIET.

CONVENTION ALSO APPROVED PLANS FOR CONTINUED CAMPAIGN AGAINST KISHI AND SECURITY TREATY (ITEM 2) AND PUBLISHED "GENERAL ELECTION PLATFORM" TOGETHER WITH FIRST LIST OF OFFICIAL CANDIATES. TONS OF CONVENTION WAS MORE ANTI-AMERICAN THAN AT ANY TIME IN RECENT YEARS AND AFTER ADJOURNMENT 300-400 DELEGATES MARCHED TO EMBASSY TO CHANT SLOGANS OPPOSING PRESIDENT'S VISIT. (CONFIDENTIAL)

COMMENT: IN ATMOSPHERE OF POLITICAL RALLY, CONVENTION AGENDA

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WAS STEAM-ROLLED THROUGH WITHOUT SERIOUS DEBATE,
DESPITE MISGIVINGS OF SOME DELEGATES. PRESS, WHICH HAS SYMPA-
THIZED WITH SOCIALIST OPPOSITION TO KISHI, HAF FAILED TO SUPPORT
JSP'S ABANDONMENT OF OBLIGATION TO ELECTORATE IMPLICIT IN MASS-
RESIGNATION PLAN, AND WILL BE EQUALLY DISINCLINED TO BACK
SOCIALISTS IF THEY NOW LAUNCH AN ANTI-AMERICAN CAMPAIGN ((ITEM 2)).
(CONFIDENTIAL)

4. DIET (WEEKA 22, ITEM 1)

FOLLOWING FAILURE ITS REPEATED EFFORTS PERSUADE DOSHIKAI
AND INDEPENDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN DELIBERATIONS ON TREATY, LDP
MEMBERS UPPER HOUSE SPECIAL TREATY COMMITTEE OPENED UNILATERAL
DELIBERATIONS JUNE 8. DECISION CAME AFTER BOTH SOCIALIST PARTIES
REJECTED LDP SUGGESTION THAT THREE MAJOR PARTIES FORMALLY DISCUSS
DOSHIKAI-S PROPOSAL FOR 10-DAY DIET RECESS. DESPITE THEIR UN-
WILLINGNESS TO PARTICIPATE, DOSHIKAI, INDEPENDENTS, JSP AND DSP
ALL STRONGLY CRITICIZED LDP FOR CONDUCTING UNILATERAL SESSIONS OF
TREATY COMMITTEE.

IN OPENING SPEECH TO COMMITTEE, PRIMIN MADE CLEAR HIS DETERMINA-
TION TO SEE TREATY RARIFICATION THROUGH TO FINISH AND STUCK HARD

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AT TREATY CRITICS WHO WOULD DESTROY US-JAPAN SECURITY SYSTEM, DRIVE
WEDGE BETWEEN JAPAN AND US AND BRING JAPAN INTO COMMUNIST ORBIT.
COMMITTEE EXPECTED TO MEET DAILY. PUBLIC HEARINGS
ARE SET FOR JUNE 14 WHILE UPPER HOUSE EXPECTED TO VOTE ON TREATY
JUNE 15 OR 16 WITHOUT WAITING FOR AUTOMATIC RATIFICATION UNDER
30-DAY RULE. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: WHILE SUBJECT TO PREDICTABLE CRITICISM, LDP
DECISION TO CONDUCT UNILATERAL DELIBERATIONS LEAVES LITTLE DOUBT
THAT TREATY WILL HAVE PASSED UPPER HOUSE 3 OR 4 DAYS PRIOR TO PRESI-
DENT EISENHOWER'S ARRIVAL. (CONFIDENTIAL)

5. LDP

IN MIST OF CONFUSED POLITICAL SCENE, SITUATION WITHIN
LDP HAS CRYSTALIZED NOTICEABLE WITHIN PAST TEN DAYS. CHIEF CATALYTIC
AGENT WAS PUBLIC DECLARATION BY IKEDA THAT HE STRONGLY OPPOSED
RESIGNATION OF KISHI GOVERNMENT OR DIET DISSOLUTION UNTIL SECURITY
TREATY HAD ENTERED INTO EFFECT (WEEK 22, ITEM 1). IKEDA'S MOVE
REUNITED MAINSTREAM BEHIND KISHI, AT LEAST UNTIL ACTION COMPLETED
ON TREATY, AND UNDERCUT ANTI-MAINSTREAM EFFORTS TO DISLodge
KISHI IMMEDIATELY. SITUATION ALSO IMPROVED BY ATTITUDE OF TOP
BUSINESS LEADERS; KEIDANREN (FEDERATION OF ECONOMIC ORGANIZATIONS)

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HAS TAKEN POSITION STRONGLY OPPOSED TO KISHI'S RESIGNATION OR DIET DISSOLUTION BEFORE TREATY APPROVED AND RATIFICATIONS EXCHANGED.

FOREGOING DEVELOPMENTS, PLUS FACT THAT RELATIVELY MILD JUNE 4 GENERAL STRIKE/ ITEM 2) DID KISHI NO VISIBLE DAMAGE, ARE BRINGING INCREASING RECOGNITION BY KISHI'S OPPONENTS AND MUCH OF PRESS THAT THEIR EFFORTS TO DRIVE HIM OUT ON TREATY ISSUE HAVE FAILED.

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COMMENT: AFTER TREATY RATIFIED AND IN EFFECT, SITUATION WITHIN LDP EXPECTED TO BECOME MUCH MORE FLUID, WITH FACTIONAL STRUGGLE OVER FUTURE LEADERSHIP OF PARTY.

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6. SOHYO EXTRAORDINARY CONVENTION (WEEK 20, ITEM 6)

SOHYO (GENERAL COUNCIL OF TRADE UNIONS) HELD EXTRAORDINARY CONVENTION JUNE 8-9 TO APPROVE SHORT-TERM PLANS FOR OPPOSITION TO SECURITY TREATY, KISHI CABINET, AND PRESIDENT'S VISIT (ITEM 1), AND TO VOTE FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO MIKE COAL MINERS. CONVENTION UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED EMERGENCY RESOLUTION REQUESTING POSTPONEMENT OF PRESIDENT'S VISIT, WHICH IT CLAIMED WAS ATTEMPT TO STRENGTHEN JAPAN-US MILITARY TIES AND "RESCUE KISHI CABINET". (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: LIKE JSP CONVENTION (ITEM 3), SOHYO MEETING WAS

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DESIGNED AS PROPAGANDA PLATFORM. SOHYO LEADERS FLET ENCOURAGED TO UNDERTAKE FURTHER STRIKES AND DEMONSTRATIONS BY ABSENCE OF NEGATIVE POPULAR REACTIONS TO JUNE 4 STRIKES. SOHYO'S CALL FOR POSTPONEMENT OF PRESIDENT'S VISIT UNTIL POLITICAL SITUATION SETTLES REPRESENTS SLIGHT RETREAT FROM EARLIER DEMANDS FOR OUTRIGHT CANCELLATION OF VISIT.(OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

7. HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS CONVENTION (WEEKA 9, ITEM6)

NIKKOKYO(INDEPENDENT JAPAN HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS UNION) HELD ANNUAL CONVENTION JUNE 5-7 AND VOTED AGGRESSIVE PARTICIPATION IN SOHYO LED CAMPAIGN AGAINST SECURITY TREATY AND KISHI CABINET. ON SEVERAL IMPORTANT POLICY ISSUES LONG-STANDING FACTIONAL DIVISIONS WITHIN UNION PROVOKED HEATED DEBATES. LARGE DISSIDENT MINORITY, WHICH BOYCOTTED PART OF LAST DAY'S SESSIONS, OPPOSED EXTREME LEFTIST POLITICAL TACTICS AND SUCCEEDED IN CAUSING UNION LEADERS TO DROP PROPOSAL FOR MERGER WITH SOHYO'S NIKKSOSO(JAPAN TEACHERS KION).UCTION POLICY WAS FINALLY MODIFIED TO ENDORSEMENT OF LONG-RANGE PROMOTION OF UNIFICATION OF ALL TEACHERS' ORGANIZATIONS, AND ATTEMPTS WERE DROPPED TO AMEND UNION CONSTITUTION TO MAKE MERGER WITH NIKKYOSO EASIER. UNION DECIDED ON PRIMARY SUPPORT FOR JSP BUT RECOGNIZED FREEDOM OF POLITICAL CHOICE. (UNCLASSIFIED)

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COMMENT: ALTHOUGH QUESTION OF MERGER WITH NIKKYOSO (PRINCIPAL BONE OF CONTENTION BETWEEN FACTIONS) APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN SET BACK INDEFINITELY BY VIGOROUS OPPOSITION OF LARGE MINORITY, FINAL POLICY APPROVED BY CONVENTION DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE MORE MODERATE THAN THAT ADOPTED BY NIKKYOSO (WEEK 22, ITEM 5). (OFFICIAL USE ONLY) PSYCHOLOGICAL

8. SENATE HEARINGS ON SECURITY TREATY

PRESS REPORTED IN DETAIL SECRETARY HERTER'S OPENING STATEMENT JUNE 7 ON SECURITY TREATY BEFORE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, AND SUBSEQUENT TESTIMONY BY SECRETARY AND ASST. SECRETARY PARSONS. PAPERS HEADLINED DEPARTMENT'S SUPPLEMENTARY STATEMENT RE DEFINITION OF "FAR EAST", AND FOM MIN FUJIYAMA ALSO ISSUED STATEMENT AFFIRMING THAT THERE IS NO DIFFERENCE IN INTERPRETATION OF "FAR EAST" BETWEEN USG AND GOJ. (SOCIALISTS AND OPPOSITION PRESS HAD CLAIMED THAT SECRETARY'S STATEMENT CONFLICTED WITH "UNIFIED VIEW" ON "FAR EAST" GIVEN IN DIET BY LDP.) (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: DETAILED COVERAGE GIVEN TREATY HEARINGS IN SENATE IS ATTRIBUTABLE TO WIDE PUBLIC INTEREST, BUT PRESS HAS ALSO BEEN ON LOOKOUT FOR ANY DIFFERENCES IN INTERPRETATION OF TREATY THAT MIGHT BE ATTRIBUTED TO USG, IN ATTEMPT TO EMBARRASS KISHI.

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9. KHRUSHCHEV'S ATTACK ON PRESIDENT

COMMENTATORS UNANIMOUSLY CRITICAL OF KHRUSHCHEV'S "COARSE AND VULGAR" PERSONAL ATTACKS ON PRESIDENT AT JUNE 3 PRESS CONFERENCE. POLITICAL ANALYSTS WERE ALSO CONCERNED OVER IMPLICATIONS IN KHRUSHCHEV'S STATEMENT THAT HE HAD DELEGATED AUTHORITY FOR SELECTING APPROPRIATE WEAPON FOR RETALIATORY ATTACK TO A MILITARY COMMANDER. MAINICHI DECLARED KHRUSHCHEV'S USE OF SUCH HARSH LANGUAGE RENDERS SUMMIT CONFERENCES USELESS, AND NUMBER OF COMMENTATORS FELT THAT HE MUST PERSONALLY BEAR LARGE SHARE OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR DETERIORATION OF EAST-WEST RELATIONS. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: KHRUSHCHEV'S STOCK WITH JAPANESE OBSERVERS FELL SHARPLY AS RESULT OF INTEMPERATE REMARKS. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

10. SOVIET DISARMAMENT PROPOSAL

PRESS FULLY REPORTED JUNE 2 SOVIET DISARMAMENT PROPOSAL, HEADLINING FACT THAT PRIMIN KISHI AMONG RECIPIENTS OF MEMORANDUM. UNOFFICIAL FMOFF COMMENT DISMISSED PROPOSAL AS "PROPAGANDA", AND DESCRIBED PROVISION RE WITHDRAWAL FROM OVERSEAS BASES AS "TOTALLY UNACCEPTABLE" SINCE TANTAMOUNT TO NEUTRALIZATION OF JAPAN. PRESS CALLED FOR CONSIDERATION OF PLAN ON GROUNDS IT WAS MORE REALISTIC

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THAN PREVIOUS SOVIET PROPOSALS, AND OFFERED SUBSTANTIAL CONCESSION
TO WESTERN POSITION. MOST EDITORIALS SUGGESTED THAT ALLIES OFFER
CONSTRUCTIVE COUNTERPROPOSAL. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: NONE.

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11. MSDF SHIP COLLISION.

AT 2000, JUN 4 TWO DESTROYERS ESCORTS OF JMSDF COLLIDED
WHILE ENGAGED IN MANEUVERS IN TSUGARU STRAIT. AKEBONODE 201)
RAMMED INAZUMA (DE 204 AMIDSHIPS, CAUSING TWO DEATHS, ONE SERIOUS
INJURY, AND CONSIDERABLE MATERIEL DAMAGE. BOTH VESSELS NOW IN
DRYDOCK IN HOKODATE. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION INDICATES THAT ACCIDENT
WAS CAUSED BY COMMUNICATION FAILURE. INAZUMA, NOT KNOWING AKEBONO'S
INTENTION, TURNED INTO PATH OF AKEBONO AS LATTER WAS MANEUVERING
TO PASS ASTERN OF INAZUMA. THIS FIRST COLLISION BETWEEN MAJOR
SHIPS OF MSDF HAS SHAKEN MSDF WHICH PRIDES ITSELF ON ITS SEAMANSHIP.
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8. EXPLOSION ON MSDF SHIP
9. ROYAL NAVY SHIPS VISITING JAPAN
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1. KISHI STATEMENT ON POSTPONEMENT OF PRESIDENT'S VISIT
(WEEK 23, ITEM 1)

AT PRESS CONFERENCE FOLLOWING EMERGENCY CABINET MEETING
AFTER NOON JUNE 16, PRIME MINISTER KISHI ANNOUNCED GOJ DECISION TO REQUEST
THAT US POSTPONE PRESIDENT'S VISIT. HE STATED THAT JUNE 10
HAGERTY INCIDENT AND JUNE 15 DIET RIOT BY COMMUNISTS AND ZENGAKUREN,
DIRECTED BY INTERNATIONAL COMMUNISM, REPRESENTED PREMEDITATED MASS
VIOLENCE ATTEMPTING TO DESTROY DEMOCRATIC ORDER WHICH PEACE AND
LIBERTY-LOVING JAPANESE MUST FIGHT ON ALL FRONTS. IN VIEW OF DOMESTIC
TURMOIL, GOVT HAD DECIDED THAT PRESENT TIME NOT APPROPRIATE
TO WELCOME IMPORTANT STATE GUEST, ALTHOUGH IT FULLY REALIZED THAT
ALL BUT VERY SMALL MINORITY OF PEOPLE WANTED TO WELCOME PRESIDENT
WITH TRADITIONAL JAPANESE COURTESY ON OCCASION OF CENTENNIAL.
A EXPRESSING CONFIDENCE IN THE FUTURE OF US-JAPAN RELATIONS,
KISHI DECLARED THAT POSTPONEMENT WAS "UNBEARABLE" DECISION WHICH
DISAPPOINTED HOPES OF VAST MAJORITY OF PEOPLE, BUT HE FELT THAT

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IT WAS NECESSARY UNTIL SUCH TIME AS DOMESTIC POLITICAL CONDITIONS RETURNED TO NORMAL.

IN QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD FOLLOWING STATEMENT, KISHI SAID THAT HE NO LONGER SAW NEED FOR FIET RECESS (ITEM 5). HE SAID THAT IT WAS UP TO HOUSE OF COUNCILLORS WHETHER TOOE ON TREATY AS HE HOPED OR WAIT UNTIL IT RECEIVES AUTOMATIC APPROVAL JUNE 19. EXCHANGE OF RATIFICATION WOULD DEPEND ON US CONVENIENCE BUT SOONER THE BETTER. KISHI FIRMLY DECLARED THAT UNTIL THIS ACCOMPLISHED, HE WOULD NEITHER RESIGN NOR DISSOLVE DIET.

KISI ALSO SAID THAT POSTPONEMENT OF PRESIDENT'S VISIT WOULD NOT AFFECT SCHEDULED VISIT OF CROWN PRINCE TO US.

KISHI TOLD REPORTER THAT DOMESTIC POLITICAL SITUATION CANNOT BE NORMALIZED IN FEW DAYS, ADDING THAT HE THOUGHT IT INAPPROPRIATE TO GIVE IN TO THE DEMANDS OF DEMONSTRATORS BY RESIGNING, DISSOLVING DIET, OR ABANDONING SECURITY TREATY. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: UNTIL LAST MINUTE KISHI HAD HOPED IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO HAVE VISIT PROCEED AS PLANNED. HOWEVER, ASSAULT ON DIET BY FANATICAL COMMUNIST-LED GROUPS ON NIGHT JUNE 15 PERSUADED HIM THAT HE MUST ASK FOR VISIT TO BE POSTPONED UNTIL SUCH LATER

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DOMESTIC POLITICAL SITUATION. PAPER ALSO CRICIZED KISHI FOR FAILURE TO TAKE ANY SHARE OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR POSTPONEMENT.

LDP SECGEN KAWASHIMA EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT PRESIDENT MIGHT BS ABLE TO COME IN AUTUMN.

DEMOCRATIC SOCIALISTS CRITICIZED KISHI FOR POSTPONING VISIT RATHER THAN RESIGNING, AND CONTENTED THAT POSTPONEMENT WOULD GIVE WORLD IMPRESSION THAT PRESIDENT PREVENTED FROM COMING OWING TO GOJ'S INABILITY TO CONTROL VIOLENT ANTI-AMERICAN DEMONSTRATIONS.

SOCIALISTS (JSP) ISSUED STATEMENT DECLARING THAT GOVT'S DECISION REPRESENTED "MAJOR VICTORY" FOR JAPANESE PEOPLE WHO DESIRE "TRUE PEACE AND FRIENDSHIP WITH US". JSP SAID IT WOULD CONTINUE WITH RENEWED VIGOR CAMPAIGN AIMED AT KISHI RESIGNATION, DIET DISSOLUTION AND BLOCKING OF TREATY RATIFICATION. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: NONE.

3. ANTI-GOVERNMENT STRIKES AND DEMONSTRATIONS (WEEKA 23, ITEM 2)

LEFTIST UNIONS, MASS ORGANIZATIONS, AND STUDENTS JUNE 15 CONDUCTED "UNITED ACTION" AGAINST KISHI CABINET, SECURITYTREATY, AND PRESIDENT'S VISIT, CULMINATING IN BLOODY CONFLICT AT DIET BETWEEN POLICE AND 7,500 COMMUNIST-MANIPULATED ZENGAKUREN STUDENTS.

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POLICE ESTIMATED 650,000 SOHYO (GENERAL COUNCIL OF TRADE UNIONS) AND INDEPENDENT UNIONISTS PARTICIPATED IN STRIKES, SHOP RALLIES, AND DEMONSTRATIONS WHICH WERE GENERALLY QUIET AND ORDERLY. ALTHOUGH FREIGHT TRAIN SCHEDULES WERE DISRUPTED IN 12 KEY CENTERS THROUGHOUT COUNTRY, AND EARLY MORNING COMMUTERS WERE INCONVENIENCED BY STOPPAGES ON PRIVATE RAILROADS, BUS, AND STREET-CAR LINES BEFORE 6:30 AM, ESSENTIAL PUBLIC SERVICES WERE LITTLE AFFECTED. UNTIL EVENING ONLY MAJOR VIOLENCE OCCURRED IN HAMAMATSU, WHERE RAILWAY SECURITY GUARDS CLASHED WITH UNIONISTS CONDUCTING SIT-DOWN ON MAIN LINE TRACKS.

UNION ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT DAY WERE COMPLETELY OVERSHADOWED BY ZENGAKUREN ASSAULT ON DIET AFTER 5:00 PM. IN BATTLE LASTING UNTIL AFTER MIDNIGHT, FINALLY ZENGAKUREN STUDENTS ATTACKED POLICE LINES WITH LONG POLES, CLUBS, STONES, BRICKS. POLICE REPULSED THREE SUCCESSIVE ASSAULTS ON DIET GATE USING FIRE HOSES, NIGHTSTICKS, FINALLY TEAR GAS. DURING MELEES, STUDENTS TURNED OVER AND BURNED SEVERAL POLICE TRUCKS. TOTAL CASUALTIES ACCORDING TO POLICE INCLUDED DEATH OF ONE FEMALE STUDENT (REPORTEDLY CRUSHED BY MOB), AND 806 INJURED (236 STUDENTS AND 570 POLICE).

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FOLLOWING EARLY MORNING EMERGENCY SESSION, CABINET ISSUED STATEMENT JUNE 16 SAYING VIOLENCE WAS PLANNED DESTRUCTIVE ACTION BY COMMUNISTS IN KEEPING WITH INTERNATIONAL COMMUNIST AIMS OF WORLD DOMINATION. LEFT-WING LEADERS IMMEDIATELY SOUGHT TO BLAME INCIDENT ON KISHI CABINET, FOR RAMMING SECURITY TREATY THROUGH LOWER HOUSE. THEY CHARGED POLICE WITH "VIOLENT SUPPRESSION OF PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATION". UNIVERSITY AUTHORITIES, WHILE REGRETTING VIOLENCE, HAVE GENERALLY SUPPORTED STUDENTS. TOGETHER WITH PROFESSORS, STUDENTS IN MANY OTHER CITIES DEMONSTRATED AGAINST POLICE AND GOVT. JUNE 16. PRESS CONDEMNED STUDENT EXCESSES BUT QUALIFIED EDITORIAL CONDEMNATIONS WITH ADMONITIONS TO GOVT TO "REFLECT". (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: HANEDA INCIDENT (ITEM 4) AND DIET RIOT JUNE 15 SHOWED CLEARLY THAT COMMUNISTS HAD SEIZED FULL CONTROL OF DEMONSTRATIONS FROM SOHYO AND JSP. DEMONSTRATIONS IN UNIVERSITY CENTERS THROUGHOUT JAPAN HAVE ACCOMPANIED THOSE IN TOKYO IN COORDINATED CAMPAIGN. (CONFIDENTIAL)

4. HANEDA INCIDENT (WEEKA 23, ITEM 1)

EMBASSY CAR CARRYING PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS SECRETARY

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6. JAPAN-KOREA (WEEKS 22, ITEM 6)

IN JAPAN- ROK TALKS FOR IMPORT OF 30,000 TONS KOREAN RICE,
BOTH SIDES NOW OPTIMISTIC THAT SUBSTANTIAL AGREEMENT ON ALL BUT
MINOR DETAILS CAN BE REACHED NEXT WEEK. IMPASSED BROKEN BY
WITHDRAWAL OF KOREAN DEMAND THAT ALL RICE BE POLISHED AND OFFER TO
PROVIDE ONE-FOURTH OF TOTAL IN UNPOLISHED RICE TO OVERCOME
JAPANESE CONERN ABOUT SPOILAGE. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY).

COMMENT: DESPITE LONG DELAY IN SETTLING CONTRACTUAL
ARRANGEMENT FOR RICE TRANSACTION, TALKS HAVE BEEN CONDUCTED IN
UNUSUALLY HARMONIOUS MANNER. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)
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7. MEDIA REACTION TO PRESIDENT'S FAR EASTERN TRIP

SRN TV GAVE FULLEST COVERAGE TO PRESIDENT'S TRIP, INCLUDING DEPARTURE FROM WASHINGTON, ALASKAN STOPOVER, AND TUMULTUOUS WELCOME IN MANILA. PRESS FRONT-PAGED PICTURES OF ENTHUSIASTIC CROWDS WELCOMING PRESIDENT TO MANILA.

CONCERNING JAPAN PHASE OF VISIT, FOLLOWING HAGERTY
INCIDENT JUNE 10 (ITEM 4) THERE WAS DISCERNIBLE SHIFT IN PRESS,
URGING PEOPLE TO WELCOME PRESIDENT WARMLY REGARDLESS OF THEIR

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COMMENT: ACCIDENT COUPLED WITH DAMAGE CAUSED BY INAZUMA-
AKEBONO COLLISION WILL DELAY INAZUMA'S RETURN TO ACTIVE STATUS FOR
ABOUT SIX MONTHS. (CONFIDENTIAL)

BRITISH CRUISER HMS BELFAST FLYING FLAG OF VICE ADMIRAL
V. C. BEGG, SECOND IN COMMAND, FAR EAST STATION, IN TOKYO FOR
GOODWILL VISIT DURING JUNE 14-18. ON JUNE 9 AIRCRAFT CARRIER
HMS ALBION, DESTROYERS HMS CAPRICE AND HMS CAVENDIS, FRIGATES
HMS SCARBOROUGH, CARDIGAN BAY, ST. BRIDE'S BAY AND CRANE, AND
SUBMARINE HMS TEREDO, TOGETHER WITH FOUR SUPPLY SHIPS VISITED
YOKOHAMA. (UNCLASSIFIED)

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1. SECURITY TREATY (WEEKA 24, ITEM 15)

NEW SECURITY TREATY WAS AUTOMATICALLY APPROVED BY UPPER HOUSE WITHOUT VOTE UNDER "30-DAY RULE" SHORTLY AFTER MIDNIGHT

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JUNE 18-19, FOLLOWING TENSE DAY OF DEMONSTRATIONS (ITEM3). IN SHORT "SURPRISE" SESSION JUNE 20 ATTENDED ONLY BY LDP MEMBERS, UPPER HOUSE ALSO APPROVED BILL TO REVISE VARIOUS DOMESTIC LAWS RELATED TO TREATY. CABINET FORMALLY APPROVED TREATY NIGHT OF JUNE 21 BY SIGNATURE OF INDIVIDUAL MINISTERS. IMPERIAL ATTESTATION COMPLETED PROCEDURES ON JAPANESE SIDE. FOLLOWING US SENATE RATIFICATION, TREATY WENT INTO EFFECT AT 1010 AM JUNE 23 WITH EXCHANGE OF INSTRUMENTS OF RATIFICATION BETWEEN AMBASSADOR AND FORMER MINISTERS FUJIYAMA IN BRIEF CEREMONY AT LATTER'S OFFICIAL RESIDENCE FOREIGN MINISTRY ANNOUNCED TIME AND PLACE OF EXCHANGE SHORTLY BEFORE CEREMONY IN ORDER TO FORESTALL POSSIBLE DEMONSTRATIONS.

SUBSEQUENTLY SOCIALIST PARTY (JSP) REPORTEDLY ANNOUNCED THAT IT WOULD REFUSE TO RECOGNIZE NEW TREATY, WHICH IT CLAIMED WOULD HAVE NEITHER BINDING FORCE NOR JAPANESE PUBLIC SUPPORT DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST (DSP) SENATOR EKI SONE STATED HIS PARTY WOULD NOW SEEK TREATY REVISION. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: EXCHANGE OF INSTRUMENTS OF RATIFICATION WAS CULMINATION OF PROLONGED NEGOTIATIONS AND POLITICAL ACTIVITY THAT BEGAN WITH OPENING OF DISCUSSIONS IN OCTOBER 1958 TO REVISE 1952 TREATY. POLITICAL STORM CENTERING AROUND MANNER IN WHICH KISHI

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OBTAINED DIET APPROVAL OF TREATY IS EXPECTED TO CALM SOMEWHAT NOW THAT TREATY IN EFFECT AND KISHI, MAIN TARGET OF OPPOSITION AND ANTI-MAINSTREAM LDP LEADERS, HAS ANNOUNCED INTENTION TO RESIGN (ITEM 2). OPPOSITION HAS INDICATED INTENT TO CONTINUE AGITATION IN COMING MONTHS AND TO MAKE TREATY AN ISSUE IN NEXT GENERAL ELECTIONS.

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2. KISHI TO RESIGN

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING EXCHANGE OF RATIFICATIONS ON NEW TREATY (ITEM 1) CHIEF CABINET SECRETARY READ STATEMENT TO PRESS ON KISHI'S BEHALF ANNOUNCING HIS INTENTION TO RESIGN. STATEMENT SAID THAT WITH COMING INTO EFFECT OF NEW TREATY HE FELT KEENLY NEED TO CREATE FRESH PUBLIC ATMOSPHERE AND CHANGE POLITICAL SITUATION IN ORDER TO DEVELOP NEW POLICIES APPROPRIATE TO DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL TRENDS. KISHI WELCOMED NEW TREATY AS CORRECTING INEQUALITIES OF OLD TREATY AND CONTRIBUTING TO WORLD PEACE AND TO JAPAN'S SECURITY AND PROGRESS. HE DEPLORED THREAT TO JAPAN'S PARLIAMENTARY DEMOCRACY POSED BY RECENT MASS VIOLENCE AND EXPRESSED PARTICULAR CONCERN OVER INTRIGUES OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNISM. HE SAID LDP MUST ELIMINATE FACTIONALISM IN ORDER TO ELIMINATE VIOLENCE, UPHOLD PUBLIC ORDER,

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AND RESTORE INTERNATIONAL CONFIDENCE IN JAPAN.

WHILE KISHI WAS NOT SPECIFIC AS TO WHEN HE WOULD STEP DOWN, GENERALLY EXPECTED THIS WILL OCCUR AS SOON AS LDP HAS SETTLED QUESTION OF SUCCESSION, WHICH UNDER URGENT DISCUSSION. FRONT RUNNERS AT MOMENT ARE HAYATO IKEDA, MINISTER OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY IBAMBOKU OHNO, VICE-PRESIDENT OF LDP; AND MITUJIRO ISHII, CHAIRMAN OF LDP EXECUTIVE BOARD. IF EITHER OF LATTER TWO CHOSEN, EXPECTATION WOULD BE FOR "CARETAKER CABINET" WHICH WOULD LAST LONG ENOUGH TO PREPARE FOR GENERAL ELECTIONS. WHILE IKEDA WOULD ALSO PREPARE FOR ELECTIONS, HE IS GENERALLY REGARDED AS BETTER ABLE TO FORM STRONG CABINET CAPABLE OF DEALING PROMPTLY WITH PRESSING PROBLEMS FACING JAPAN. THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT KISHI AND FINMIN SATO AS WELL AS FORMER PRIME MINISTER YOSHIDA MAY FAVOR IKEDA, THOUGH ISSUE BY NO MEANS SETTLED. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: INITIAL ONSLAUGHT AGAINST KISHI GOVT WAS LED ALMOST ENTIRELY BY PRO-COMMUNIST GROUPS, BUT AFTER KISHI'S "UNDEMOCRATIC AND AUTHORITARIAN" ACTION IN RAMMING TREATY THROUGH DIET MAY 18/19, (WEEK 20, ITEM 1) EXTREME LEFT RECEIVED SUBSTANTIAL REINFORCEMENT FROM NON-COMMUNIST ELEMENT WHO WITH DRAMATIC SUDDENNESS, ACTIVELY JOINED IN OR ACQUIESCED IN DEMONSTRATIONS.

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NEVER POPULAR, KISHI THEN BECAME MAIN TARGET OF BROAD, DEEP, AND STRONG POPULAR MOVEMENT AGAINST HIM. ANNOUNCEMENT OF HIS INTENTION TO RESIGN SHOULD GREATLY HELP CLEAR POLITICAL AIR. HIS CONSIDERABLE FACTIONAL STRENGTH PLUS THAT OF BROTHER SATO (TOGETHER THEY CONTROL ABOUT 110 LOWER HOUSE MEMBERS) ASSURES HIM OF CONTINUING INFLUENCE IN LDP COUNCILS, AND OF IMPORTANT VOICE IN ELECTION OF SUCCESSOR. (CONFIDENTIAL)

3. ANTI-GOVERNMENT STRIKES AND DEMONSTRATIONS (WEEK 24, ITEM 3)

LEFTIST CAMPAIGN AGAINST PRIMIN KISHI AND SECURITY TREATY HAS CONTINUED THROUGHOUT WEEK, WITH ALMOST DAILY DEMONSTRATIONS IN TOKYO. THEY HAVE NOTICEABLY DIMINISHED IN SIZE SINCE LARGE AFFAIR ON JUNE 18. DEMONSTRATIONS IN DOWNTOWN TOKYO JUNE 22, BY ZENGA-KUREN STUDENT PEOPLE'S COUNCIL AGAINST REVISION OF SECURITY TREATY, AND SOHYO UNIONISTS, ATTRACTED PARTICIPATION OF LESS THAN 20,000, AND AFTER COMING INTO EFFECT OF SECURITY TREATY ON JUNE 23 AND PRIMIN KISHI'S ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTENTION TO RESIGN, DEMONSTRATIONS WERE RELATIVELY SMALL.

HIGH-POINT OF (GARBLED WORD) JUNE 22, WHEN SOHYO CALLED THIRD "GENERAL STRIKE", SIMILAR TO JUNE 4 AND 15 STRIKES. RAIL TRAFFIC AROUND

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TOKYO, OSAKA AND OTHER CENTERS WAS VIRTUALLY HALTED DURING
EARLY MORNING HOURS (UNTIL 7:00 AM), AND MANY OTHER PUBLIC
SERVICES WERE AFFECTED BY PROTEST RALLIES AND STRIKES HELD BY
SOHYO UNIONS. GOJ ESTIMATED TOTAL OF 706,000 UNIONISTS PAR-
TICIPATED IN STRIKES, SLIGHTLY FEWER THAN JUNE 4. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: ALTHOUGH THE LEFTIST ORGANIZATIONS HAVE ALREADY
ANNOUNCED PLANS TO CONTINUE AGITATION BY STRIKES AND DEMONSTRATIONS
IN THE PERIOD AHEAD (JUNE 25 AND JULY 2 NEXT), THE EXCITEMENT SEEMS
TO BE EBBING. MAJOR PRESS IS UNANIMOUS IN VOICING CAUTIONARY
WARNINGS. PART OF THE MISCHIEF OF RECENT STRIKES AND DEMONSTRA-
TIONS IS THAT PUBLIC BECOMING ACCUSTOMED TO THEM, APPARENTLY NOT
TOO CONCERNED SO LONG AS INCONVENIENCE OF STRIKES HELD WITHIN
LIMITS AND DEMONSTRATIONS CONFINED TO DIET, KISHI'S
RESIDENCE, METROPOLITAN POLICE HEADQUARTERS, PUBLIC PARKS, AND
ORDERLY PARADES PAST EMBASSY. WITH ANNOUNCEMENT OF KISHI'S
INTENTION TO RESIGN AND WITH TREATY HAVING ENTERED INTO EFFECT,
GENERAL PUBLIC MAY BECOME GOOD DEAL COOLER TOWARD CONTINUED
COMMOTION ON THE STREETS. (CONFIDENTIAL)

4. ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS OF POSTPONEMENT OF PRESIDENT'S VISIT

JAPANESE PRESS PAST WEEK GAVE HEAVY COVERAGE TO REPORTS

THAT DEMONSTRATIONS LEADING TO POSTPONEMENT PRESIDENT'S VISIT CAUSED
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SENTIMENT IN US TURN AGAINST JAPAN WITH RESULT AMERICAN IMPORTERS
CANCELLING CONTRACTS FOR JAPANESE PRODUCTS.

JAPAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF NEW YORK CABLED JAPAN CHAMBER
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY STATING PRICE JAPANESE BONDS HAD FALLEN IN
NEW YORK AND THAT FLOTATION ADDITIONAL DEBENTURES WOULD BE MUCH MORE
DIFFICULT AS RESULT RIOTS. FONOFF RECEIVED SIMILAR REPORTS FROM ITS
CONSULATES IN NEW YORK AND LOS ANGELES, WHICH ALSO INDICATED
TEMPORARY DROP IN TOURIST TRAVEL MUST BE EXPECTED. STATEMENTS
JAPANESE BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL LEADERS THAT INTERNATIONAL CONFIDENCE
IN JAPAN BADLY SHAKEN GIVEN CONSIDERABLE PLAY. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: IT IS APPARENT FROM CONVERSATIONS OF EMBASSY
OFFICERS WITH MEMBERS BUSINESS COMMUNITY THAT JAPANESE INDUSTRIAL
AND FINANCIAL LEADERS DEEPLY CONCERNED AFTERMATH RECENT EVENTS.
MANY DELEGATIONS AND INDIVIDUAL BUSINESS MEN FORMERLY CALLING AT
EMBASSY TO EXPRESS DEEP REGRETS ABOUT RIOTS AND TO ASSURE EMBASSY
GENERAL OPINION IN JAPAN FAVORABLE TO US, (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

5. F-104 NEGOTIATIONS INCLUDED J WEEKA 16, ITEM 7)

"ARRANGEMENT" SETTING FORTH DETAILS OF F-104 AIRCRAFT COST-
SHARING PROGRAM SIGNED JUNE 18 BY CHIEF MAAG FOR US AND BY ADMINISTRA-
TIVE VICE MINISTERS OF JDA, FONOFF AND MITI FOR JAPAN,

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THUS CONCLUDING NEGOTIATIONS WHICH BEGAN JANUARY 12 (WEEKA 2, ITEM 9.
WORK ALREADY IN PROGRESS UNDER CONTRACT SIGNED MAY 11 BETWEEN LOCKHEED
AND MITSUBISHI. PROGRAM CALLS FOR DELIVERY TO JASDF OF 780 F-104'S
AND 20 F-104DJ'S BETWEEN MARCH 1963 AND JANUARY 1956. (CONFIDENTIAL)

COMMENT: CONCLUSION OF NEGOTIATIONS WHICH BEGAN IN MIDST OF
INTENSE CONTROVERSY ABOUT SUITABILITY OF CHOICE OF F-104 WAS ALMOST
IGNORED BY PRESS WHICH CARRIED ONLY BRIEF NOTICES OF SIGNING,
WITHOUT EDITORIAL COMMENT. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

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6. PUBLIC MEDIA REACTION TO PRESIDENT'S TRIP

SINCE PRESS, COLUMNISTS, AND RADIO ANALYSTS HAD BEEN AMONG
LEADERS IN CAMPAIGN TO UNDERMINE KISHI, WHEN POSTPONEMENT OF
PRESIDENT'S VISIT WAS ANNOUNCED OPINION WAS ALMOST UNANIMOUSLY VOICED
THAT GOVERNMENT HAD NO ALTERNATIVE. THIS WAS ACCOMPANIED BY EXPRESSIONS

OF REGRET AND OF APPREHENSION AS TO EFFECTS ON US-JAPAN
RELATIONS. PRESS FULLY COGNIZANT OF FACT THAT POSTPONEMENT
REPRESENTED SERIOUS BREACH OF INTERNATIONAL COURTESY, WHICH COULD
ADVERSELY AFFECT RELATIONS WITH US, PARTICULARLY ECONOMIC TIES, FOR
SOME TIME. PRESS AGREED THAT ELIMINATION OF POLITICAL CONFUSION AND
RESTORATION OF HEALTHY DEMOCRACY IN JAPAN WAS MOST APPROPRIATE WAY
TO REGAIN US CONFIDENCE, AND IN URGING KISHI TO HASTEN RESIGNATION

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EDITORIALS HAVE SIMULTANEOUSLY CALLED UPON OPPOSITION TO RESUME PARTICIPATION IN DIET AND TO AVOID VIOLENCE IN STREET DEMONSTRATIONS.

PRESIDENT'S TRIP TO OTHER FAR EASTERN COUNTRIES RECEIVED HEAVY PRESS COVERAGE. FRONT PAGE NEWS COLUMNS AND PICTURES DEPICTED ENTHUSIASTIC WELCOMES IN MANILA, TAIPEI, Naha AND SEOUL. AFTER PRESIDENT HAD COMPLETED TRIP MOST MAJOR PAPERS RAN INTERPRETIVE ARTICLES FROM WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENTS AND SEVERAL EDITORIALS COMMENTING ON RESULTS OF FAR EASTERN TOUR. PRESS INCLINED TO BELIEVE THAT WHILE EXPECTATIONS HAD UNDENIABLY FALLEN SHORT OWING TO POSTPONEMENT OF VISIT TO TOKYO, PRESIDENT HAD BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN ESTABLISHING CLOSER TIES WITH ANTI-COMMUNIST ALLIES IN FAR EAST SEVERAL PAPERS SAID THAT EISENHOWER-A MAN OF PEACE-HAD WANTED TO TOUR FRONT LINE IN ASIA AS LAST ACT OF PERSONAL DIPLOMACY BEFORE STEPPING OUT OF OFFICE. AFTER BLOW TO HIS HOPES FOR PEACE WHEN SUMMIT CONFERENCE COLLAPSED, IT WAS ESPECIALLY REGRETTABLE THAT VISIT TO JAPAN HAD TO BE POSTPONED. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: JAPANESE PRESS HAS BEEN UNANIMOUS IN HOLDING KISHI RESPONSIBLE FOR POSTPONEMENT OF PRESIDENT'S VISIT, WITHOUT REGARD TO CAUSES WHICH MOTIVATED HIM TO MAKE REQUEST, ON GROUNDS THAT HE CREATED CONDITIONS WHICH PRECIPITATED "CURRENT POLITICAL INSTABILITY"

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(DEMONSTRATION RIOTS, AND SOCIALIST SABOTAGE OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES). HIGH REGARD IN WHICH PRESIDENT HELD BY PUBLIC HAS NOT APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN PARTICULARLY AFFECTED BY DEVELOPMENTS; ON CONTRARY, GENERAL EXPRESSION OF SHAME OR EMBARRASSMENT FOR WHAT JAPANESE RECOGNIZE AS DISGRACEFUL BREACH OF COURTESY. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

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